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SUBJECT: MITRIONE/FLY KIDNAPPINGS

1. POLICE REPORTS 4:15 PM AUGUST 7 THAT POLICE HAVE JUST CAPTURED RAUL SENDIC, LONG PRESUMED TO BE PRINCIPAL LEADER OF MLN-TUPAMAROS. THIS FOLLOWS BY ABOUT TWO HOURS CAPTURE OF RAUL BIDEGAIN. TOTAL MLN MEMBERS REPORTED CAPTURED THIS AFTERNOON NOW AT TWELVE. SEVERAL OTHERS OF THESE ARE CONSIDERED PROMINENT IN MLN LEADERSHIP. SENDIC PRESENTLY BEING INTERROGATED BY POLICE.

2. IN SEPARATE ACTION POLICE AND MILITARY UNITS ARE REPORTED TO HAVE SURROUNDED HOSPITAL DE CLINICAS, THE HOSPITAL ADMINISTERED BY THE MEDICAL FACULTY OF THE NATIONAL UNIVERSITY AND LONG SUSPECTED AS STORAGE AREA OR SAFE-HAVEN FOR TUPAMARO ACTIVITIES. CULTURE MINISTER FLEITAS, UNIVERSITY RECTOR MAGGIOLO, AND OTHER UNIVERSITY AUTHORITIES ARE NOW AT POLICE HEADQUARTERS AND PRESUMABLY DETAILS ARE BEING WORKED OUT FOR

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